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THE BUTTONWOOD HOTEL - An Ex-Sheriff Has Rented It and Will Apply for a License

Ex-Sheriff Armstrong has rented the old Buttonwood Hotel, at Darby, and will apply for a license at the next term of court. He came to Dar by on Saturday and in company with James Standring, made a partial canvas of the town, to hear what the sentiment of the people was in regard to a licensed hotel. It is said that he met with considerable encouragement.

The enforcement of the old blue law of 1791, by the Law and Order Society, against the sale of cigars in Darby, on Sunday, has changed the views of many of the people on the liquor question and it will not be as easy now to get them to sign a remonstrance against license as it would, had the Law and Order people been less aggressive on the Sunday questions. Mr. Armstrong, it is understood, has already received many signers to his petition.

There has been no licensed hotel in Darby for a number of years. A big fight was made against the hotels by the Darby Home Protection Society, in consequence of which no new licenses were granted.

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